REMARKS

The title is amended to be in conformance with the translation of the international application.

The specification is amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the International Application from which this application originates.

The Abstract is amended to conform to the word limit. No new matter is added.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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